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1. Two apparently new armored vehicles were at the southwestern exit road of HOROVICE (N 50/L 45). The olive-green coat of paint had few scratches.
2. The following typical features of the armored vehicles were observed:
 - a. Four large disk-shaped bogie wheels with apparently more bogie wheels behind the outside ones; no track-supporting rollers; driving sprocket in front; wedge-shaped bow, gun with muzzle brake projecting over the bow by about one third of the chassis length, the gun caliber being estimated at more than 100 mm.
 - b. It could not be determined if the vehicle had a revolving turret or a rigid superstructure. The commander's cupola was at left rear (seen from behind).
3. A soldier said that the two armored vehicles were newly manufactured by the Skoda Plant and had been assigned to a unit in JINCE (N 50/L 44) to be tested.

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The described armored vehicle, apparently a heavy type as indicated by the gun caliber, is not one of the known tank types.

b. According to the reported data and to a very rough sketch drawn by source, the observed vehicle may be an SP gun or SP AT gun, the characteristic features of which source did not remember.

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